

**On The Cover:** An unknown pilot prepares to fly a Piper Cherokee 140 parked on a crowded ramp. According to data from the AOPA Air Safety Institute, pilot skill levels and decision-making abilities are the root cause of some 75 percent of all GA accidents year after year. For more, including the data and what we can do about it, see the article beginning on page 8. Image by SkyF/iStockphoto.